LASC - CERTIFICATE IN LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

LASC234 Issues in Latin American and Caribbean Studies I (3 Credits)
Interdisciplinary study of major issues in Latin America and the Caribbean, including Latin America's cultural mosaic, migration and urbanization. Democratization and the role of religions. Taught in English. Cross-listed with: PORT234, SPAN234. Credit Only Granted for: LASC234, PORT234, SPAN234, or LACS234. Formerly: LASC286.

LASC235 Issues in Latin American and Caribbean Studies II (3 Credits)

LASC250 History of Colonial Latin America (3 Credits)
Introductory survey of the history of Latin America from pre-Columbian Indian cultures to the beginning of the wars for independence (ca. 1810), covering cultural, political, social, and economic developments. Major themes include conquest, colonialism, indigenous culture, African slavery, religion, race and ethnicity, and gender ideologies. Cross-listed with: HIST250. Credit Only Granted for: LASC250, HIST250, OR LACS250. Formerly: LASC250.

LASC286 Internship in Latin American/Caribbean Studies (1-6 Credits)
Internship experience with an organization that works with or studies Latin American and/or the Caribbean. This is an experiential learning course that provides semester-long training that enriches the student's academic field of study and the LASC Certificate. Students submit a final written report of their experience, including critical analysis of the institutional relevance to their major field of study and to Latin American and Caribbean Studies. Students will also be asked to give an oral presentation. Prerequisite: Student must have completed at least two LACS courses, one of which must be a required/core course (LACS/SPAN234, LACS/SPAN235, LACS/HIST250, or LACS/HIST251); and permission of ARHU-School of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures. Credit Only Granted for: LASC286 or LACS286. Formerly: LASC286.

LASC448 Special Topics in Latin American and Caribbean Studies (3 Credits)
Intensive study of a selected topic related to Latin American and Caribbean Studies. Restriction: Junior standing or higher. Repeatable to: 6 credits if content differs. LASC458 Senior Capstone Course in Latin American and Caribbean Studies (3 Credits)
Capstone course for advanced students in the Latin American and Caribbean Studies Certificate Program or other students with appropriate preparation. Interdisciplinary topics will vary each semester. Prerequisite: LASC234 and LASC235; or permission of ARHU-School of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures. Restriction: Must be in Latin American and Caribbean Studies Certificate program; and senior standing. LASC486 Internship in Latin American/Caribbean Studies (1-6 Credits)
Internship experience with an organization that works with or studies Latin American and/or the Caribbean. This is an experiential learning course that provides semester-long training that enriches the student's academic field of study and the LACS Certificate. Students submit a final written report of their experience, including critical analysis of the institutional relevance to their major field of study and to Latin American and Caribbean Studies. Students will also be asked to give an oral presentation. Prerequisite: Student must have completed at least two LACS courses, one of which must be a required/core course (LACS/SPAN234, LACS/SPAN235, LACS/HIST250, or LACS/HIST251); and permission of Latin American Studies Center required. Restriction: Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5; and must have earned a minimum of 60 credits. Credit Only Granted for: LASC486 OR LACS486. Formerly: LASC486.

Additional Information: The course is primarily intended for students seeking the Certificate in Latin American and Caribbean Studies, but exceptions will be considered for students with educational or career interests which lie in this area. Student internships must be approved by the Director, and students must secure an appropriate faculty mentor for the internship course. An internship course will be approved only if a faculty supervisor is available.

LASC348 Special Topics in Latin American and Caribbean Studies (3 Credits)
Topics to be announced when offered. Repeatable to: 6 credits if content differs.

LASC434E Caribbean Literature in English (3 Credits)
Political and literary traditions that intersect in the fiction, poetry, and drama written in English by Caribbean writers, primarily during the 20th century. Cross-listed with: ENGL362. Credit Only Granted for: ENGL362 or LASC434E.